

## Updated COVID-19 Guidelines

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**To:** University Community

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**Subject:** Updated COVID-19 Guidelines

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, we have consistently adapted our response to changing conditions, prioritizing the health of the Bulldog community. While COVID-19 remains a public health concern, the combination of vaccines, acquired immunity, and improved medical treatments have made it less of a threat to the public. Based on these factors, the University has updated its COVID-19 guidelines, and we encourage you to read them carefully.

1. Employee and student reporting of a positive COVID-19 test result is suspended unless an employee believes their positive test is the result of workplace exposure. If that is the case, submission of a University [reporting form](#) is required.
2. With national- and county-level test positivity data no longer available, the University will expire its COVID-19 Dashboards.
3. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [guidelines](#) encourage isolation for those that test positive. Employees with the necessary recovery time will need to use their available accruals. Employees who have not earned the necessary leave time and need to be out due to COVID-19 should contact Human Resources and their Supervisor to develop a plan for recovery time.
4. Students who test positive for COVID-19 should contact their professors to arrange how to stay current with course materials, just as one would with any other illness.
5. Residential students who want to limit transmission or exposure in response to a positive COVID-19 case can request a temporary relocation to a limited number of on-campus wellness rooms.
6. Unless a directive applies to a specific location or personnel, wearing a mask remains at the discretion of each individual in our community. Employees with disabilities in need of accommodations related to COVID-19 should contact Human Resources for support and

guidance. Students with disabilities in need of accommodations should contact [Academic Success and Accessibility](#).

7. Given the current pandemic status, the University will have COVID-19 tests conveniently available in the University bookstore for those who need them but will no longer supply them through Public Safety. Additional information on COVID-19 testing can be found [here](#).

It is important to note that being *fully vaccinated* for COVID-19 at the University of Redlands is defined as *having received a primary series dose(s)* (one or two shots depending upon the vaccination type), proof of which is required as a condition of University employment or enrollment. As of June 2022, the University's *fully vaccinated* status no longer requires a booster shot; however, members of the University community are encouraged to get the updated booster shot when it becomes available. Regional vaccination locations can be found [here](#).

Thank you for your efforts to keep the Bulldog community safe!

Any questions pertaining to students should be directed to [student\\_affairs@redlands.edu](mailto:student_affairs@redlands.edu). For questions related to employees, please contact [askhr@redlands.edu](mailto:askhr@redlands.edu).